


COUNTY OF YORK

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 6, 2006 (BOS Mtg. 9/19/06)

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

FROM: James O. McReynolds, County Administrator 

SUBJECT: Parking Restrictions for Large Commercial, Recreational and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles – Running Man and Victory Meadows Subdivisions

The parking restrictions for large commercial, recreational and passenger-carrying vehicles in certain designated areas of the County (Section 15-48, York County Code) have been in effect for several years and they appear to be providing the intended benefits to residents of these areas. Based on the successful application in other areas, the residents of the Running Man and Victory Meadows subdivisions have requested, through their homeowners associations, that consideration be given to including their neighborhoods under the provisions of Section 15-48. Letters from both of the associations are attached.

As the Board will recall, the restrictions prohibit the parking of any of the following types of vehicles on the public streets within the designated community:

Commercial Vehicles

- Greater than 10,000 lbs. gross weight, or
- Greater than 21 feet in length.
- Any HazMat vehicle
- Heavy construction equipment
- Tractor truck, trailer, dump truck, concrete mixer, towing vehicle, beverage/food truck or trailer

Passenger Carrying Vehicles

- 16 passengers or more, or
- Licensed as a common or contract carrier, or
- Licensed as a limousine

Recreational Vehicles

- Gross weight greater than 10,000 lbs., or
- Greater than 21 feet in length.

It is important to note that these restrictions apply only to public streets that have been accepted into the VDOT Secondary System. It is also important to note that the restrictions do not apply to private property; instead, there are already provisions in place in the Zoning Ordinance accessory use regulations that describe the locations where

recreational vehicles can be parked on residential lots (*only on driveways in front; in side or rear yards if not on driveway*).

I believe that the streets in Running Man and Victory Meadows are appropriate candidates for inclusion in the list of areas subject to the large vehicle parking restrictions. The streets in both developments are clearly residential in character and are not suited for large vehicle parking. The density of development, lot width, and street frontage characteristics are such that large vehicle parking along the public streets could create safety hazards and negatively impact the character of the neighborhood. Both Running Man and Victory Meadows are still under development and not all of the existing (or under construction) streets have been accepted into the State Secondary System. Therefore, proposed Ordinance No. 06-26 is written to apply the restrictions to those streets currently in the Secondary System and any new streets at such time as they are officially accepted by VDOT.

I recommend that the Board approve the parking restrictions as requested. This can be accomplished by the adoption of proposed Ordinance No. 06-26.

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Attachments:

- Vicinity Maps
- Letters from Homeowners Associations – Running Man and Victory Meadows
- List of areas currently restricted
- Proposed Ordinance No. 06-26

Copy to: Mr. Jim Brewer, Williamsburg Residency Administrator (VDOT)